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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend paragraph [0001] as follows:

[0001] This is a continuation of ~~co~~pending U.S. [[p]]~~P~~atent [[a]]~~A~~pplication Serial No.
10/301,984, filed November 22, 2002, ~~and~~ entitled “Improved Laser Stent Cutting[.],”
now U.S. Patent No. 6,696,667.